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Ref: 8EPR-SR

Doug Roll, Mayor
City of Libby
952 East Spruce St.
Libby, MT 59923

Re: Libby Asbestos Superfund Site
Operable Unit 1, former Export Plant
property

Dear Mayor Roll:

We appreciate your assistance with the progress that is being made toward finalization of the design to remediate the former Export Plant property. There are a few details yet to be resolved with the final design, cooperative agreement, and access agreement, but we anticipate that construction will start this summer, as soon as the design and associated documents are complete.

As you know, there are areas of the park that still contain visible vermiculite and asbestos contamination on the surface. Consequently, during construction, access to the park will be very limited. We understand that the city has issued permits for both a wedding and a public concert at the park this summer. For the concert, parking will not be allowed at the park, and access will be limited to pedestrian traffic in the riverfront area around the pavilion.

In advance of remediation, we suggest that it would be prudent to strictly limit permitted uses of the park. Last summer, we received a number of comments from residents, former residents, and public officials expressing concern about continued use of the park in advance of remediation. If we continue to receive similar comments this summer, we will necessarily refer them to you for resolution.

Sincerely,

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